GM 1911

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Coins found in Hiregonigeri

Honnali Taluk

G. R. S. IX-5]

Previous references.

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Later references.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 22

Part B for Feb 09

SUBJECT.

Cows tamed in Hiregonigere,
Honnali Taluk

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Gen : Mis)

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Gen File No. III 11/12

FILE HEADING.

Discoveries of ancient coins and other articles of antiquarian interest and their exchange.

From

The Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches

No. 84 Dated 5. 12. 11 Received 5. 12. 11

Diary No. 2410	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

States that a treasure consisting of 186 varahas, 95 hommus or half varaha 1 hana, 4 bars and 2 hemispherical pieces of gold found at Hire gonigere, Honnali Taluk, were received from the D.C. Shimoga for examination some days ago and requests that as they are of considerable numismatic interest and are not found in his cabinet, 13 coins (6 varahas and 7 half varahas) may be in-

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structed to be acquired, and a few more coins also, in case specimens have to be sent to other institutions.

2 From D.C. Shimoga No 149/87, dated 8th Dec. 1911.

Intimates the discovery of the treasure refd to in the above on the 12th Oct. 1911 by one Ranga, who without giving immediate information thereof, divided the treasure

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between himself and the rest of his party and states that after a detailed enquiry 274 gold coins, 4 gold ingots and 2 gold piece of the total value of Rs 1,500/- were produced by different persons which have been sent to the Archaeological Officer for ex.", and solicits instns to search the houses of persons suspected of retaining portions of the discovered treasure.

1. A copy of the Treasure Trove Regulation No. III of 1910 is put up.

2 The D.C. has reported that Ranga, the finder, has been ordered to be prosecuted for not having given notice of the find. A further report regarding the result of the proceedings may be awaited.

yes

3 As the specimens of the coins are stated to be of considerable numismatic interest, the Govt Museum and the Maharaja's College, Mysore, may, in addition to the Archaeological Cabinet, be supplied, there being a good number of coins of each specimen (Varahas and half Varahas).

yes.

4 It is also a matter for orders whether it is not necessary to distribute the coins to the several British Indian Museums in accordance with the Govt of India notification of the 30th March 1907, having regard to their numismatic value and the surplus of them left after distribution within the Province. If it is decided in the affirmative, the

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Archl. Officer maybe asked to submit a detailed report of the coins.

5 The reports of the D.C. and the Archl officer differ as regards the total number of the coins discovered, the former giving it as 276 and the latter as 284. The D.C. maybe asked to explain the discrepancy.

6 As the D.C. solicits instructions as to whether he may search the houses of persons suspected of retaining portions of the treasure, may the Govt Advocate be consulted first.

7 Subd for orders.

eff 99
15.12.11 US. 41

8 I don't know if searches are authorized in such cases
To be III for opinion - Is it necessary to consult the Govt-Advocate?

89
18/12/11

Recd 20/12

Mis 88

9 Subd
SR(11)
21/12

10 The offence for which the finder of the treasure may be prosecuted is a "non-cognizable one and so the Police can investigate it only on the order of a Magistrate of the 1st or 2nd Class. After such an order is obtained

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there seems to be no objection to the police exercising the powers of search vested in them under the Criminal procedure Code (Please see Sec[s] 155 and 165). Or they may obtain a search-warrant from the Court and then proceed to search vide Sec[n] 94 Cr. Pg.

" There is no harm in Consulting the Govt Advocate.

To Bo V

21/12/11. SB

Submitted
VS. 41
21-12-1911

2. Forwarded to the Govt. Advocate for favour of opinion on the point raised above.

W.O. No 13/G of 1911-12

K Ramaswamy
22/12/11. Under Secretary to Govt

U.O. 29.
V
29/12

Absence of a provision in the Treasure-Trove Regulation is no bar to the issue of a Search warrant if it is deemed

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necessary to issue one. Offence under the said Regulation being a non-Cognisable one according to Col 3, Sch II of the Code of Cr Procedure, a Police officer has power to search under Sec 165 of the Code as incidental to the Conduct of the investigation if he is authorised to investigate by an order of a Competent-magistrate of the 1st or 2nd Class (see Sec 155 Cr. P. Code).

16 A magistrate within whose jurisdiction an investigation is held or before whom an Enquiry or Trial is pending may also issue a Search warrant under Sec 96 of the Code & a Police officer armed with such a warrant may Search -

Edrabaramiyan
27.12.1911. Govt. adv.

V.15 Put up drafts to the officers concerned in accordance with the notes and marginal remarks above.

29.12.11.

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Serial No.

2450

Draft submd
9A 99 / 4.1.12 VS. 41

2nd Councillor) hm 4/1/12

Draft slightly altered and appd. by 2nd Councillor
MSS 6.1.12

Issue hm 8/1/12

3. To. The Archeological Officer.
No. G 3691 dt 12.1.12.

States that the Dy Comr Shimoga has been requested to send all the coins to this office. and on their receipt orders will issue regarding their distribution. Meanwhile requests him to submit a report of his examination of the coins in question.

4 To. The Dy Comr, Shimoga.
No G 3692 & 12.1.12. Encl.

Forwards a copy of of 8l 1 for explaining the discrepancy in the number of coins said to have been discovered. Also States that an investigation may be made in the matter under the Criminal Procedure Code and the result of the Prosecution of the Finder Rayan reported to Govt.

SMS

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(1)

From the Offr in ch: of Arch.l Researches. No 110 & 13/16. 1. 12

Submits the detailed report called for in 8(3 abo

12 May the receipt of the D.C's report called for in 8(4 be awaited ?

Subd 19.1.12 VS 44

2955

Sen

20.1.12

8 From D.C. Shimoga - No. 187/113 dated 20th Jan.y 1912

Intimates the transmission of the brasme ~~bronze~~ by Registered Insured Parcel, as called for in 8(4.

3088

72. To the Cash Section for kindly stating whether the parcel has been received.

Subd 25.1.12 VS. 41

23 - Yes - the parcel has been rec.d

27.1.12

Submitted

May the parcel be sent to the Arch.l Officer with the request that the coins may be assorted and returned and the number of each of the specimens absolutely required for his office cabinet intimated, so that the D.C. may, if necessary, be asked to acquire them as well as two more sets of such specimens for distribution each to the Bangalore Museum and the Mysore Maharaja's College, and one more set for being sent to the Residency for examination by the Arch.l Supdt, Southern Circle,

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Madras ?

If however, the fund is adjudged Whave become the property of Govt the distribution may be proceeded with and the remaining coins sent to the Distrct Treasury, Bangalore for sale by public auction.

Submitted for orders.

SA99 / 2.2.12. BR44.

Please put up draft as noted above.

2/2/12

Draft subd.
SA99 / 5.2.12 VS.41

7.2.12

9. To. The Archeological officer
No C4325 of 20.2.12 Encl Coins.

In continuation of 8 I forwards a parcel of coins received from the Dy Comr Shimoga and requests that they may be assorted and returned to this office with information as to the number of coins required by him for his office Cabinet

10 From D.C. Shimoga No. 193/116 of 2.2.12.

With Refce to 8 C4, states that the correct number of coins discovered is 282 and that the result of the prosecution will be reported on the disposal of the case.

This report tallies with that of the Arch! Off: regarding

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3260

the total number of the coins discovered.

30 The file may be kept in Srs pending receipt of the Archl Officer's requisition for the coins retained in this office.

Subd VS. 41
EA 49
24.2.12

yes
24.2.12

Sm

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not to be separated
the file. BOD
25/2/12

Description

186 Varahas
95 Hunnus
1 Huna

143 ½ Tolas. (4 Bars
1 2 small pieces (OD)

288

Counted + found to be correct
BM
24-1-12

Total
24/1/12
D-S.
20-1-12

The coins sent yesterday, were returned, as the Officer is on Circuit

The coins have been placed in safe custody

here. & can be returned to BM with Coins
MJ
21/2/12

Submitted for orders.
BOD/MD 21.2.12 VS. 41

Please see addition in Draft & fair copy. The Coins & drawings will now be received in his Office
MM 21.2.12

To. Cashier for note and return.
BOD. 21/2/12 VS. 41 noted & returned
MJ 21/2/12

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11 From The Archeological officer.

No G 4 122 & 11-3-12.

Request that the coins retained in this office may be sent by the bearer Abdul Rahaman assistant to the Photographer of this office.

3/ The Cash Section may be asked to deliver the coins to the person deputed by the Archeological officer. The person has come here today.

Bdrg 147 12.3.12 VS 4/

Delivered the parcel of coins yes No. in the G. Secy. on 12-3-12 vide G. No. G 4325-12. 12.3.12 referred to

Thm 111-11-9 & 20/2/12

vide Arch. Officer's 12

Sd Abdul Rahaman. & 11-3-12

32 Subd with a draft do.

Bdrg 147 12.3.12 VS. 4/

Approved by the G. Secy.

Draft may issue.

VS

12 To The Arches. Officer.

No. G 4878 & 12.3.12

Intimate that the coins were handed over to Abdul Rahaman as desired above and request acknowledgment.

May be in Sec 13 file

From the same. No. 124 & 14. 3. 12.

Returns the coins duly asserted and states with

his cockt is received

Bdrg 15/3/12 VS

refee to G.O. that 7 coins are enough for his office cabinet and requests their early acquisition

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R. S. 12]

General and Revenue Secretariat. | Gen File No. 111 of 1912

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	33 Draft subd for approval or other orders.
3904 187.	9A99 23.3.12 VS.41 (1st Councillor) 24 25.3.12
	Draft appd: by 1st Councillor 28.3.12
	Issue 29.3.12
14	To. The Dy Comr. Shimoga No. G S-290 & 4.4.12 Returns the coins received with sl 8 and requests that certain coins enclosed in a wrapper maybe acquired and sent direct to the Archeological officer, and certain others acquired and sent to this office. Principal, maharajas College and Supdt. Govt Museum the remaining coins being deposited in the Treasury pending orders for their disposal.
Sent	To. The Archeological officer. Supdt, Govt Museum, & Principal, maharajas college. No. G S 291-3 & 4.4.12 Forwards copy of the above

NOTE—Contn. sheet. .

GPB—20,000—20-1-12

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19

From the Dy Cmr, Sheemoga Dist no 192/R.91 of 12th Dec 1912.

In contn of his no 123/R.67 of 5th Oct 1912, reports for the information of Govt, that no claimants having come forward for the treasure, it is desirable to dispose of the same by public auction & states that if Govt approve, a notn fixing a date for the auction of the treasure may be published.

37- The reference quoted by the Dy Cmr is a reply to this office re. reminder to no G.S.290 of 4th April 1912 requesting the Dy Cmr to acquire for the Arch office, certain coins found in Hunegonigere village in the Honnali Tk - But the Dy Cmr in his present refce - refers in reply to a treasure found in the Nagar Tk & requests sanction to dispose of the treasure by public auction. Submitted. As regards the coins found here (Honnali) in the Honnali Tk, the Dy. Comrs. 4/1/13 has informed this office that a notfn has been published in the Gazette stating that the claims to the coins would be heard & disposed of after 14th Oct 1912

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Hay S (referring to Serial 2)

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Serial No.

2119

Reference to the "Nagar Taluk" seems to be a mistake for "Honnali Taluk" &

Ktc
4-1-13

The proper course is to mention the fact to the D.C. and get the mistake, if it is one, rectified

hm
7-1-13

Drafts'nbd
hrs (76)
10/1/13

Jme
hm
10.1.13

20. To The D.C. Shimoga. C. 3849 dj 17-1-13.
With reference to the above points out certain discrepancies & requests him to rectify them & intimate the correct reference to this office

From the Dy Com^r. Shimoga.
No 279/R. 142 of 11. 3. 1913
With refee to the above states that the refee quoted by his office was a wrong one & requests sanction to the disposal of the teasme farms in the Nagar ~~Taluk~~ Tk — Snbd - The refees on regarding

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No.

6971

The disposal of the treasure found in the Nagar Tk will be detached from this file & bnd separately with previous papers -
Sd
Hg 22/3/13
Ys. 22/3/13

26(a) From the Arch: Offr - No. 25 of 23rd Jan 1915 - Invites refce to sl 14 & requests that the Dy Comr - Shimoga D[illegible] may be instructed to forward to his office the coins selected by them -
Draft - Sd
Hg 25/11/15
Ys 25/11

29 To. The Deputy Commr. Shimoga Dt
No 9666 of 27-11-15
Invites attention reference to sl 14 and enquires if 7 Coins selected by the Arch. Officer were required & forwarded to that officer.

30 From the Dy: Offr - Shimoga Dist
no 275-8 of 24th IV CV 1915
Advises despatch of 3 gold Varahas

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& 4 gold mohurs as desired by the Dy Com^r - Shimoga Desp^t & requests acknowledgment -

To the Cash Section for stating if the Varahas & mohurs rep^d have been received from the Dy Off^r. Shimoga

Mg Mun
11/12/15

Mm
11/12

Mun
13/12

The Coins referred to above have been received in the Cash Section.

Mg
15/12/15

Two drafts sub^d

Mg Mun
15/12/15

Issued
Mm
16/12

31 To, The Dy Officer, Shimoga.
No: G 7915 Dt 18-12-15
~~Forwards the~~ Acknowledges the receipt of the 7 Coins referred to in sl 30.

32 To. The Asst Officer
No G 7916 Dt 18-12-15
Forwards the 7 Coins referred to in sl 30.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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33	From the Dy Com^r - Shimoga Dett No 254/G71 of 18th Dec 1915 - With refee to sl 29 - states that the Cows selected have been sent to the Asst Supt by the Dett Dy Supt Shimoga
34	From the Asst Supt - No 13 G of 21.12.15 acknowledges receipt of the 3 sold Varahas & four sold hennus forwarded with sl 32 & states that the Cows asked for in sl 26(a) have also been read from the Dy Com^r Shimoga & enquiries of the Cows now sent with sl 32 which are of the same kind as those read from the Dy Com^r - Shimoga - are also to be kept with this office & returned to the Supt.
35	From the Dy Com^r - Shimoga Dett No 289/G87 of 17.1.1916 With refee to sl 14 Solicits orders of Govt as to the disposal of the Cows left after distributing to the several offrs as desired therein - Draft to the Dy Com^r Shimoga with refee to sl 33 above read Log 2/2/16 The undersigned is to reply in proposed docs - Dispatch - Jail 4/2/16

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DIARY No. 2410

No. 84.

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SECTION Jeri. Mis
FILE No. 111 of 1911-12

Mysore Archaeological Office,
Bangalore, 5th December 1911.

From

R. Narasimhachar, Esquire, M.A.,
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches
in Mysore,

To

C.S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that a treasure, consisting of 186 varahas, 95 honnus or half-varahas, 1 hana, 4 bars and 2 hemispherical pieces of gold, found at Hire Gonigere, Honnali Taluq, was received from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, for examination, some days ago. The coins were found to belong to the Vijayanagar Kings Krishna Raya, Achyuta Raya and Sadasiva Raya. As these specimens are of considerable numismatic interest and are not found in my office cabinet, I have selected 13 coins, 6 varahas and 7 half-varahas, for my office cabinet and request that instructions may be issued to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, to acquire these for Government. In case specimens have to be sent to other institutions also, a few more coins will have to be acquired.

2. The treasure has been returned to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, with the exception of the 13 coins mentioned above, which are retained in the office for being photoed before sending them away. They will be returned within about a fortnight.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

K. Narasimhachar

Officer in charge of Archl. Researches

in Mysore.

From K. Srinivasa Row Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Sheimoga Division

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B.A.
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue department

Dated 8th December 1911.

Despatched

Received

General No. 149/87.
No.

Enclosure No.

States that a copper pot containing gold coins were found by one Ranga of Hirigorigere village while he was digging the earth in the Sarpandi halli

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District
Dated 8th December 1911.

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LC No. 111 of 1911-12
SERIAL No. 2

From

K. Srinivasa Row Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B.A.
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that a party of 6 villagers of Hiregonigeri in the Honnali Taluk had gone to fish in the Sarpagondi halla of the village on the 6th October 1911 when one of the party by name Ranga who was digging the earth close by with the object of throwing up a bund across the halla came across a Copper pot Containing gold Coins. The party failed to give immediate information to the authorities as required by Section 4 of the Treasure Trove Regulation III of 1910, and

divided

divided the treasure among themselves.

2. The Amildar received a report about this discovery on the 12th October 1911 from the village Patel. He immediately proceeded to the village and held a detailed enquiry in the matter. One of the villagers who had received a portion of the treasure had got the same melted into ingots. In all 274 gold coins, 4 gold ingots and 2 gold pieces of the aggregate value of Rs 1500/- were produced by different persons at odd intervals

3. From the Amildar's detailed report, it was clear that one Ranga who first discovered the treasure had failed to give information about the same. This man has therefore been ordered to be prosecuted under Section 21 of the Treasure Trove Regulation

4 The entire treasure including the ingots received from the Amildar has been sent to the officer in charge of

of Archiological Researches in Mysore for examination, as required in Government Proceedings No: G 773-82 dated 6th August 1910. G.M. 16-09-7

On receipe of a reply from him a notification will be published in the Gazette under Section 5 of the Treasure Trove Regulation

5. The Amildar has since reported that he has reason to believe that the entire Treasure as discovered by the Villagers has not been produced and solicits instructions as to whether the houses of persons suspected to retain a portion of the Treasure may be searched

6. There seems to be no clear provision in the Treasure Trove Regulation which authorizes the search of houses of suspected persons. I therefore solicit the favour of early instructions in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

G.R.S. 26]

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Serial No. 3

Diary No. of letter replied to 2410

No. G 36, 91.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The Officer in charge of

Arch.l Researches in Mysore

Date of issue 12.1.12

Signed by [illegible]

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of ~~the~~ your letter No. 84, dated the 5th December 1911, requesting to be supplied for your office cabinet with certain 13 coins out of those discovered in the Gonigere village, Honnali Taluk. It is presumed that the coins stated to have been detained in your office for taking photos of them, have since been returned to the Deputy Commr.,

over.

SUBJECT.

Shimoga &c. The latter Office has been requested to send all the coins discovered to this Office, and on receipt of their ~~of them~~ orders will in due course issue regarding their ~~the~~ supply to you. Meanwhile, I am to request you to kindly submit for the information of Govt a detailed report of your examination of the several coins referred to in the letter under reply.

I have &c,

4/1/12
for Offg Secretary.
VS. 41

List of enclosures,

Copied by ad 10/1/12

Examined by

G.R.S. 26]

Gen File No. 111 of 1911

Serial No. 4

Diary No. of letter replied to 2430

No. G 3692 Gen 1

General and Revenue Secretariat
(Gen : Mis)
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To

The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga Dt

Date of issue 12-1-12

Signed by for Devanarayanan

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 149/87, dated 8th December 1911, reporting on the discovery of a copper pot containing gold coins in the Sarpagondahalli of Hire-Sonigere village, Honnali Taluk, on the 6th October 1911, I am directed to observe that the total number of coins discovered is stated in the above to be 276. The Officer in

over.

SUBJECT.

charge of Arch.l Researches to whom
the coins were ~~stated to have been~~ sent
by you for examination, however states
that he received ~~to-day~~ 284 coins.
A copy of his letter No. 84 dated the
5th Dec.r 1911, on the subject is herewith
forwarded, and I am to request that
you will be so good as to explain the
discrepancy and forward all the
coins to this Office for inspection.

2. Referring to paras 5 and 6
of your letter under reply, I am to
observe that ~~the~~ an absence of provision
in the Treasure Trove Regulation is
no bar to the issue of a search warrant by a Magistrate
to search the houses of persons ~~suspected~~ in accordance
with the provns of the Code of Cr. Procedure
~~of retaining portions of the find~~, if
it is deemed necessary to issue such a warrant.
Offences under the said Regulation
being non-cognizable, according to Col 3
Sch II of the Code of Criminal Procedure,
a Police Officer has power to search
under Sec 165 of the Code as incidental
to the conduct of the investigation only
if he is authorised to investigate

List of enclosures,

Copied by

Examined by

GPB—10,000—28-2-11.

G.R.S. 27]

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(*Continuation Sheet draft form.*)

by an order of a Competent Magis-
trate of the 1st or 2nd Class (Vide Sec
155 Cr. P. Code) ~~the Magistrate within~~
whose jurisdiction the investigation
or trial
is held or before whom the enquiry
is pending, may also issue a
search warrant under Sec 96 of
the Code and a Police Officer armed
with such a warrant ~~may~~ search
should be submitted
A report as to the action taken in
this matter and the result of the
prosecution of the finder Ranga
~~is awaited~~

I have &c,

6/1/12

4.1.12

For the Secretary

VS. 4/1

Copy to Branch III

GPB—10,000—22-2-11

11/1/12

DIARY No. 29.33
1911-1912
SECTION Jan: mis
FILE No. 181 of 1911-12
ATTACHED No. 7

No. 110

Mysore Archaeological Office,
Bangalore, 13th January 1912.
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From

R. Narasimhachar, Esquire, M. A.,
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches
in Mysore,

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B. A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. G 3691/G. M. 111-11-3 dated the 12th instant requesting me to submit for the information of Government a detailed report of my examination of the coins received from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, I have the honour to report as follows:—

2. The number of coins examined was 282, consisting of 186 varahas, 95 half-varahas and 1 Vîrarâya hana. The varahas and half-varahas relate to the Vijayanagar Dynasty, while the hana is a coin of the West Coast of India. Of the varahas, 7 represent Krishna-Râya (1509-1529), 57 Achyuta-Râya (1530-1542) and 122 Sadâśiva-Râya (1543-1567). Krishna-Râya's varahas bear on the obverse the figure of a seated deity with the Vaishnava attributes śankha (conch) and chakra (discus) at the sides. Opinion differs among numismatists with regard to the deity represented by the figure: some taking it for Durgâ, others for

Lakshmi and others again for the Boar incarnation of Vishnu, the last apparently accounting for the name (varaha) of the coin. The reverse shows the legend — Śrî-Pratâpa-Kṛishṇa-Râya — in 3 horizontal lines in Nâgari characters. The varahas of Achyuta-Râya have on the obverse the figure of an insessorial Gaṇḍa-bhêruṇḍa, holding an elephant in each beak and each claw, while on their reverse appears the legend — Śrî-Pratâpâchyuta-Râya — in 3 horizontal lines in Nâgari characters. The Mysore Gaṇḍabhêruṇḍa may thus be traced back to Achyuta-Râya. Sadâśiva-Râya's varahas show on the obverse seated figures of Śiva and Pârvati, though in some specimens, the attributes being distinctly Vaishnava, the figures have to be taken for Lakshmi and Nârâyaṇa. The reverse has the legend Śrî-Sadâśiva-Râyaru. The absence of the epithet Pratâpa here may cause a reasonable doubt as to the attribution of these coins to the Vijayanagar King Sadâśiva-Râya and incline one to the supposition that they are coins of the Ikkeri chief Sadâśiva, which have also the same obverse. But the Ikkeri chiefs styled themselves Naiks and not Râyas, so that the word Râyaru on these coins clearly supports the above attribution.

3. Of the half-varahas, Kṛishṇa-Râya is represented by 46, Achyuta-Râya by 46 and Sadâśiva-Râya by 3. Kṛishṇa-Râya's half-varahas are exactly like his varahas both on the obverse and the reverse. On some specimens of Achyuta-Râya's half-varahas the Gaṇḍabhêruṇḍa is insessorial while on others it walks to the left. The reverse of Sadaśiva-Râya's half-varaha bears the legend Śrî-Pratâpa-Sadaśiva-Râya, thus differing from that of the varahas.

4. The Vîrarâya hana is the same as the ones (21-24) figured on Plate VI of my Administration Report for 1910-11.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

L. Narasimhachar

Officer in charge of Archl. Researches in Mysore.

No 187 Sec
113 A

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District
Dated 20th January 1912

DIARY No. 3088 C

1911 - 1912
SECTION Gen. Misl
FILE No. 111 of 1911-12
SERIAL No. 8

From

K. Srinivasa Row Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B.A.
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments
Bangalore.

Sir

I have the honour to state that the Treasure trove found in Sarpagondanahally of Hiregonageri Village, Honnali Taluk, has been forwarded to-day by Registered insured parcel to your address for inspection as desired in your letter No. G. 3692 G.M. 111-11-4. dated 12th January 1912

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

D. Srinivasa Iyer

Treasury Assistant Commissioner
for Deputy Commissioner
absent from station Shimoga District

V
23/1/12 9/1

1912

From The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To The Secretary
to the Government of Mysore
General & Revenue Departments.

Dated 22nd January 1912.

Despatched

Received

General No.

No.

Enclosure No. (Sent by regd & insured parcel)

Submits the treasure trove found in Sarapasondanahalli of Hirejonegere village Honnali Taluk for his inspection.

3686/12

From

The Secy. to the Govt. of His Highness
The Maharaja of Mysore,
Genl. and Rev. Dept.

To

The Officer in charge of the
Archaeological Dept

Dated

Despatched 20th February 1912

Received

General No. G 4325

No. G.R. III-11-9

ENCLOSURE No. X Coins.

Please note the description of the coins etc to be sent as enclosure
20/2/12

cover & coins etc sent - duly sealed
20/2/12

X 282 coins
weighing { 4 bars
14 3/8 tolas. { 2 small gold pieces.
288

In continuation of this office no G 3691 dated the 12th January 1912, has the honor to forward herewith the parcel of coins received from the Deputy Commr Shimoga Dt and to request that the coins therein contained may be assorted and returned to this office with information as to the number of each of the specimens desired by required for his free cabinet, in view to take steps, if necessary, for their acquisition and further distribution.

By Order
21.2.12
For the Secretary

Retained in this office as the Officer in Charge of Archaeological Researches is said to be on tour. Will be sent when a requisition for the same is received
21.2.12
For the Secy

GPB—10,000—9-4-06
US.41

1912.

From The Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To The Secretary
to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments
Bangalore

Dated

Despatched 2nd February 1912.

Received

General No. 1931.

No.

Enclosure No.

With reference to his No G. 3692
G.M. III-11-4
dated 12th January 12, submits
the correct description of the
Treasure Trove found in the
Honnali Taluk.

No 193
116.

Deputy Commissioner's office
Shimoga District
Dated. 2nd February 1912.

From

K. Srinivasa Row Esquire
Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District.

DIARY No. 3280
1911 - 1912
SECTION Gen : Mis
FILE No. III 06 1911-12
SERIAL No. 10

To,

C. S. Balasundram Iyer Esquire B.A.
Offg. Secretary to the Government of
Mysore.
General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

With reference to your No G. 3692 G.M. III-11-4 dated 12th January 1912 re the treasure trove discovered in the Honnali Taluk, I have the honor to state that the correct description of the treasure is as noted in the margin. From that it will be seen that the number of Coins found is neither 276 nor 284, but 282.

Number
186
95
1
Total 282
4
2

Description.
I Coins. (a). Varahas
(b) Honnus
(c) Hanas
II Bars.
III Hemispherical Piece or "Bud"

2. The treasure will be forwarded to you for inspection at an early date.

3. Copies of Para 2 of your letter have

be sent to the District Superintendent of Police and the Amildar, Honnali Taluk for taking necessary action

The result of the prosecution will be reported to you on the disposal of the case.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient Servant,

D. Srinivasa Rao

Treasury Assistant Commissioner

For. Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

(Absent from the Station).

DIARY No. 3848

1911-1912
SECTION G & M
FILE No. III-11
SERIAL No. 11

No. 122

Mysore Archaeological Office,
Bangalore, 11th March 1912.

From

R. Narasimhachar, Esquire, M.A.,
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches
in Mysore,

To

C.S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General & Revenue Departments.

Sir,

With reference to your docket No. G 4325/G.M. III-11-9 dated the 20th ultimo, I have the honour to request you to be so good as to send the parcel of coins therein referred to by the bearer Abdul Rahman, assistant to the photographer of the office.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant,
R. Narasimhachar
Officer in charge of Archl. Researchs
in Mysore.

G.R.S. 26]

G. R. File No. 111-11

Serial No. 12

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. G 6818

General and Revenue Secretariat

( )

, *the* 19

To

R. Nagaswamy Esq. M.A.,
Officer in charge of
Archeo. Research
Bangalore

Date of issue 12.3.12

Signed by Dr Ramaswamy

Dear Sir,

As desired in your letter no. 122 of yesterday dated. the ~~marginal~~ coins as detailed in the margin have been handed ~~over~~ over to Abdul Rahaman, assistant to the Photographer of your Office.

An acknowledgement for the receipt of the coins is requested

Yours sincerely

Dr over.
12/3/12
for Secy

186 Panchas
95 Kannus
1 Kana
weighing 14 3/8 tolas { 4 bars
2 small pieces

SUBJECT.

VS. 41

V. PM. 14.3.12

No. 124 with coins in a sealed packet.

The sealed packet may be kept in the Cash Safe. 15/3/12

Mysore Archaeological Office,
Bangalore. 14th March 1912

From

R. Narasimhachar, Esquire, M. A.,
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches
in Mysore,

Recd the sealed packet with the coins referred to herein
III
14/3/12

To

DIARY No. 3965 G. S.

1911-1912
SECTION for : nil
FILE No. 111 of 1911-12
SERIAL No. 13

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B. A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.

Sir,

* 282 coins.
4 gold bars } weighing
2 small pieces } 143/8 tolas.

I have the honour to return herewith the parcel of coins etc* received with your D.O. No. G 4818 / G.M 111-11-12 dated the 12th instant. As requested in your docket No. G 4325 / G.M 111-11-9 dated the 20th ultimo, the coins have been assorted and made into 6 packets, 3 of Varaha and 3 of Honnu, according to the reigns during which they were issued. The coins required for my office cabinet are sent in a separate cover with the necessary details given on the wrapper of the packets. On further consideration I have come to the conclusion that 7 coins are enough for my office cabinet and I request that Government may be pleased to take early steps for their acquisition.

2 The favour of an acknowledgment is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant,
R. Narasimhachar
Officer in charge of Archl. Researchs
in Mysore.

G.R.S. 26]

for File No. III–1

Serial No, 14

Diary No. of letter replied to 3904

No. G S 290. Five Coins as noted in the margin

General and Revenue Secretariat

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, *the* 19

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

Date of issue 4. 6. 12

Signed by Sw Ramaswamayya

Sir,

In returning per insured Parcel the marginally noted coins ~~5~~ 7 received with your letter No 187/113 dated the 20th January 1912, I am directed to request that the 7 coins enclosed in a wrapper superscribed as in the margin may be acquired under the Treasure Trove Regulation No III of 1910 and forwarded

over.

282 Coins, ~~4 gold bars~~
4 Gold bars } weighing 14 3/8 tolas.
2 small pieces }

+ Serial No 8 (D. 3490)

3 Varahas and 4 honnus
selected for the Archl. Office Cabinet.

SUBJECT.

direct to the Officer in charge of Archl Researches for his office cabinet. Three more sets of each specimen of Varahas and Hommus should also be similarly acquired and a set of each also sent direct to the Principal of the Maharaja's College, Mysore and the Supdt, Govt Museum, Bangalore, and the remaining third set may be forwarded to this office for transmission to the Residency.

2. The remaining coins re may be kept in deposit in the Treasury pending Govt orders regarding their disposal after the termination of the proceedings taken against the finder Ranga

I have re,

25/3/12

for Chief Secretary.

No G 5291-3 dt 4.4.12 US.411

Copy of the above is forwarded to

(1) the Principal, Maharaja's College, Mysore,

(2) the Supdt, Govt Museum & (3) the Offr in ch: of Archl Researches, with ref: to his No. 124 dt 14.3.12

By order

28/3/12

List of enclosures,

28/3/12

Copied by B Krishna murthy 1-4-

Examined by

GPB—10,000—28-2-11.

G.R.S. 26]

E File No. 111-11
Serial No. 20

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. G 3849

General and Revenue Secretariat.
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, *the* 19

To
The Dy Collector
Shimoga Distt

Date of issue 17-1-13

Signed by Mr. B. Srinivasa

With reference to his letter no. 192/291 of the 12th Dec 1912, has the honour to point out that the reference quoted therein is a reply to this office reminder to no G.S. 290 of 4th April 1912 requesting him to acquaint us the Arch

over.

SUBJECT.

Office, Collector comes formed
in Kregonigere village
in the Hassan Taluk
whereas in the present
reference, sanction is
sought to dispose by public auction
by the
treasure found in the
Nagar Taluk.

It is requested that
the discrepancy pointed above
may be caused to be
rectified & the correct
reference intimated
early.

BO

10.1.13

Trees

MK

List of enclosures,

Copied by 15/1

Examined by

1913

From K. Srinivasa Row Esq.,

Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

To K.R.Srinivasa Iyengar Esq.,M.A.,

Offg. Secretary to the Govt.of H.H.

the Maharajah of Mysore,

General and Revenue Departments.

Dated

Despatched 11th March 1913.

Received

General No. 279

No. R. 142.

Enclosure No.

Requesting that sanction of Government may kindly be obtained for selling the coins found in the Nagar Taluk.

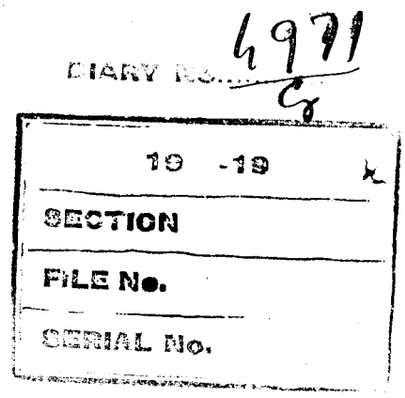
GPB—50,000—26-9-12

No. 279
R142

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District,
Dated Shimoga, 11th March 1913.

From

K. Srinivasa Row Esq.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.



To

K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar Esq., M.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of H.H.
the Maharajah of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

Sir,

With reference to your No.G.3849.G.M. 111-11-20 of the 17th January 1913 pointing out certain discrepancy in the subject matter of this office letter No. 192/R.91 of 12th December 1912, I have the honor to state that this office letter No. 123/R.67 of 5th October 1912 refers to certain old coins found in Nagar Taluk, while your No.G.1933 of 30th September 1912 was in connection with the Treasure found in Hiregonigere village of Honnali Taluk.

As claimants have come forward for the same, the matter is under enquiry and will be disposed of as early as possible.

2. The reference of your office quoted in this office

No.

No.123 of 5th October 1912 was therefore a mistake due to over-sight on the part of the clerk concerned who is warned.

3. With regard to the coins found in the Nagar Taluk the same have to be disposed of as no claimants have come forward. As already requested in my letter No.192/R.91 of 12th December 1912 Orders of Government may kindly be obtained for selling the same by public auction.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

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No. 25

Fin 7 111 9 11-12
Sl 26(a)

Mysore Archaeological Office,
Bangalore, 23rd July 1915.

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From

R. Narasimhachar, Esquire, M.A.,
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches
in Mysore,

To

D.M. Narasinga Pao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
Offg: Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
General Departments, B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

With reference to your No. G.5291-3 dated 4th April 1912 forwarding therewith for my information a copy of your letter No. G.5290/G.M.111-11-14 dated 4th April 1912 to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, I have the honour to invite your attention to my letter No. 124 of 14th March 1912 and to state that I have not received up till now from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, the seven gold coins@ referred to in your communication to him, though their acquisition for the Archaeological Office Cabinet was ordered three years ago.

I therefore request that instructions may be issued to the Deputy Commissioner with regard to the acquisition and forwardal of these coins to this office.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
R. Narasimhachar
Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches in Mysore.

@ 3 Varahas & 4 Honnus.

G.R.S. 26]

SUBJECT.....

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*Diary No. of letter replied to*_____

General and Revenue Secretariat

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, the *191*

Date of issue 27-11-15

Signed by Sri. R. S. R. Rao

Section G.M.

File No. 111-11

Serial No. 29

No. C6663

To The Dy Com - Shimoga

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to correspondence ending with this office no G 5290/GM 111-11-14 dt 4th April 1912 regarding the treasure trove discovered in the Honnali Taluk and to enquire if the coins re-selected ~~exhibited~~ by the officer in charge

over.

of Arch Researches were
acquired & forwarded to
Head Office as required
in this Office ~~letter~~ of even.
Communication refd to
above

Mark etc
Asst
25/4
for Secy

List of enclosures.

Copied by

Examined by

No. 275-8

{ District Treasury
Shimoga, dated 24th Nov. 1915

DIARY NO. 4589
1911-1912
SECTION Gen.
FILE NO. 111-11
SERIAL NO. 30

From

The Treasury Officer
Shimoga District

To

The Secretary to Government,
General department,
Bangalore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward, this day, by a separate registered Insured Parcel, a tin box containing three gold Varahas and four gold Honnus as directed by the Deputy Commissioner in his memo No. 3898 of 10-11-1915, in accordance with your letter No. G. 5-290/G.M. 111-11-14 dated 4th April 1912, and to request an acknowledgment of the same.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

A.S. Malalli
Treasury Officer
Shimoga District

GPB—50,000—30-7-15

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From

The Treasury Officer
Shimoga District

To

The Secretary to Government
General Department
Bangalore

Dated 24-11-1915.

Despatched 25-11-15

Received

General No. 275-8

No.

Enclosure No.

Forwards three fold Varahas and four fold Honnus in accordance with General and Revenue Secretary's letter No. G. 5290/G.M 111-11-14 dated 4th April 1912

G. R. S. 26]

File No. III-11

Serial No. 31

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. 7915

General and Revenue Secretariat

( )

, *the* 191

To

The Treasury Officer

Shimoga Distt

Date of issue 18-12-15

Signed by Asst. Secy to Govt.

Has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the three sold vouchers & four sold bonnets, the despatch of which was advised in his ~~office~~ letter No 278-8 of 14th instant

Rv

Asst

16/12

Secy

Govt

over.

SUBJECT.

List of enclosures,

Copied by

Examined by

GPB—25,000—8-8-11.

Over 3 the gold coins
opened

G. R. S. 26] 21/12

Gen File No. III-11

Serial No. 32

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. G 7916/38 & Vaudas
& 4 Commrs.

General and Revenue Secretariat

( )

, *the* *191*

To

The Off in charge of Arch
Researches in Mysore

Date of issue 18-12-15

Signed by Hm. M. S. R. Rao

With reference to Cor-
respondence ending with
his letter no 25 of 23rd July 1915
has the honour to forward
herewith three gold Varahas
& four gold Hommus received
from the Dy Com - Shimoga Dt
as a find treasure trove
discovered in the Hamali
TK & to request that the

over.

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Three gold Varahas & four
gold Hommes. Sent to
Archeological officer.
Cal. 20/12/15

SUBJECT.

receipt of this can is may be kindly
acknowledged

R.O

Mon 16/12

Traces

List of enclosures,

Copied by

Examined by

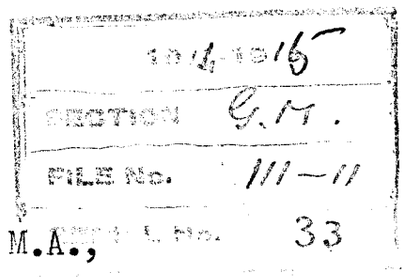
No. 254
G.71

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District,
Dated Shimoga 18th December 1915.

From

5382

K. Matthan, Esquire., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.



To

V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer, Esquire., M.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General and Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.6663/G.M.111-11-29 dated 27th November 1915 enquiring if the coins selected by the Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches were acquired and forwarded to that officer I have the honor to state that the coins selected have been sent to him by the District Treasury Officer, Shimoga, on the 10th November 1915.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

C.N.R.

GPB—50,000—17-9-15

19 15-16.

From

The Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore,
General and Revenue Department,
Bangalore.

Dated 18th December 1915.

Despatched

Received

General No. 254

No. G.71

Enclosure No.

With reference to his letter No.G.6663/G.M.111-11-29 dated 27th November 1915 states that the coins selected have been sent to him by the District Treasury officer, Shimoga, on the 10th November 1915.

MYSORE ARCHAEOLOGICAL OFFICE,

BANGALORE, 21st December 1915.

From

5457
14-12-15
G.M.
111-11-11
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R. NARASIMHACHAR, Esquire, M.A.,

Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches in

M Y S O R E,

V.R. Tyagaraja Iyer, Esquire, M.A.,

Revenue Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore in charge of

General Department, B A N G A L O R E.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of three gold varahas and four gold honnus forwarded with your docket No.G.7916/G.M. 111-11-32 dated the 18th December 1915, I have the honour to state that, subsequent to my letter No. 25 dated the 23rd July 1915 requesting you to issue instructions to the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, with regard to the acquisition and forwardal of these coins to my office, the coins in question were sent to me by the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, with his docket No.275-8 dated 25th November 1915 for the office cabinet. I should like to know if the coins now sent which are of the same kind as those received from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, are also to be kept in the office cabinet or are to be returned to the Secretariat.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R Narasimhachar

Officer in charge of Archaeological

Researches in Mysore.

No. 287
9.31

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District,
Dated Shimoga 17th January 1916.

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From

K. Matthan, Esquire, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shimoga District.

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B.A.B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.5290 D.M.111-11-14 dated the 4th April 1912 returning per insured parcel the treasure trove found in Sarapagondahalla of Hire-gonigere village in the Honnali taluk requesting to keep the remaining coins in deposit in the treasury pending Government orders re their disposal I have the honor to intimate that Ranga the finder of the treasure was convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs 20/- by the Amildar Magistrate of Chennagiri taluk. Half the treasure found has been delivered to the owner of the land as he had established his ownership to the land in a civil suit and 28 coins were forwarded to the officers named in the letter under reference. I now request that orders of Government may be obtained as to the disposal of the remaining coins kept in deposit in the District Treasury.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Probationary Assistant Commissioner
For Deputy Commissioner
(Absent from Head Quarters

1915-16.

From

The Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of Mysore,
General Department,
Bangalore.

Dated 17th January 1916.

Despatched

Received

General No. 259

No. 8

Enclosure No.

Requests that orders of Government may be obtained as to the disposal of the remaining coins kept in deposit in the district treasury.

GP1—75 reams—25-5-10

G. R. S VI—G/32]

SUBJECT..

Diary No. of letter replied to... .....

Section
File No
Serial I

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT
( )
, *the* 191 .

No. 91846

Date of issue 26.2.09

To

Signed by

The Dy. Com
Ghazipur

Sir

With reference to Com-
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

over

List of enclosures

Copied by

Examined by

W.D86—G.P.B.—60,000—15-11-16